

**TODAY and
TOMORROW**

Late Pres. Roosevelt

PRESIDENT Roosevelt, the enemy of Asia, the single man who was most responsible for plunging all East Asia into war, is dead. When a man dies, however great or small he may be, however good or bad he may be, generally death rouses in us sympathy and to a certain extent respect for his spirit and soul. But with Roosevelt, it is impossible for any Asiatic to feel any such sympathy or respect.

In 1939 when the European war began, when Britain started the war for her own imperialistic expansion, the Indian people firmly opposed Britain's forcing India into the war. After their bitter experience in the first World War, the Indian people knew very well that Britain would exploit India's manpower and material resources and use them for her war effort—for her own war of imperialistic expansion which would only doom India to eternal slavery. Did President Roosevelt take any heed of India's attitude or the attitude of other Asiatic nations?

With all the power and influence of the United States in world politics, he has caused America to enter into the global war against the Axis Powers who are fighting for world justice and righteousness. As Mahatma Gandhi said, Roosevelt, with all his power politics, could have arbitrated for world peace and justice. Had he been a peace-maker, instead of a peace-breaker, he would have received the world's applause and gratitude and would have been regarded as truly great, both by friend and foe.

But, unfortunately, Roosevelt had misguided political outlook. He was power-mad, empire-mad even as the British were. When the British started the European war, Roosevelt saw in it only a golden opportunity to realise his own mad dreams of world domination.

While Nippon was patiently negotiating ways and means for a secure peace in Asia, Roosevelt conspired with Churchill to crush Nippon and to crush all Asia. Roosevelt was Asia's worst enemy, because through Roosevelt's machinations the Greater East Asia War was brought about.

Roosevelt has disillusioned many Indians, who were in the wrong notion that America would press for India's independence. With his perverted political acumen he saw that the British Empire in India was cracking and he grasped the opportunity of extending America's dollar imperialism into India instead.

And so, the news of Roosevelt's death has only one reaction throughout Asia. The misguided spirit behind the anti-Axis powers is dead. Asia's enemy is dead.

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Suzuki Cabinet Symbolises Firm Will Of Nation

Netaji Issues Statement On Nippon's Fresh Cabinet Change

Rangoon, April 12 (Domei).—The continued disastrous losses the American Navy has already suffered in Okinawa waters is only a foretaste of the crushing blow which Admiral Baron Kantaro Suzuki, new Nippon Premier, has sworn to inflict on the Americans, Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose, Head of the Provisional Government of Azad Hind, declared today in a brief statement issued on Nippon's Cabinet change.

Emphasizing that Suzuki is an admiral, while the new Navy portfolio continues to be in the hands of Admiral Mitsumasa Yonai, Netaji declared that a stronger and more powerful government for which former Premier Kuniaki Koiso made room is Nippon's confident reply to the American Navy which has ventured closer to the Nippon Mainland.

He said the new Suzuki Cabinet may well be described as the symbol of the unconquerable will of the Nippon nation.

Meanwhile, in a statement commenting on the forthcoming San Francisco Conference, Netaji said that the Americans are making their customary fuss over this conference. Although they advertise the fact that Turkey, Egypt and Saudi Arabia have declared war on the Axis powers on the eve of the San Francisco Conference, the truth is that these countries were forced to do so, he said.

Netaji questioned whether the Americans are really happy that the Soviet Union denounced the Soviet-Turkish Treaty.

Although the Anglo-American powers are determined to impose their will on the San Francisco Conference, the Russians, Netaji said, can be expected to demand the acceptance of their rights.

Netaji said that the Anglo-American powers will have to guess whether the Soviet demands will concern Iran, Western Asia, the Mediterranean, China or India.

"Will it be about just one of them or all?" he asked.

Netaji declared, "The Anglo-Americans are having a headache. San Francisco was to be a boast. Who knows that it will not prove a boomerang."

Nimitz Admits Sinking Of American Destroyer

Lisbon, April 13 (Domei).—Large numbers of Nippon aircraft, launching their second large-scale assaults on American warships and vessels off Okinawa, yesterday succeeded in sinking one American destroyer and damaging several other craft, American Fleet Admiral Chester Nimitz's Headquarters admitted today, according to a Guam dispatch.

INDIANS SOLEMNLY RENEW ALL-OUT SUPPORT PLEDGE FOR FREEDOM STRUGGLE

National Liberation Week Program Rounded Off With Mass Rally Here

Resolutions renewing their full support in men and materials in the fight to liberate India from foreign rule and recording their appreciation of the valour and heroism of the Azad Hind Fauj, the Imperial Nippon forces and the Burma Defence Army in waging the war of Asia's liberation in the battlefields of Burma, and praying for the complete and unqualified success of the valiant endeavours of the Indian fighting forces in the cause of India's freedom, were passed at a mass meeting of Indians held here yesterday to mark the end of the observance of the Indian National Liberation Week.

The meeting which was held at the local Chapter of the I.I.L. in Waterloo Street under its auspices, was presided by Dr. M. K. Lukshumeyah, Vice-President of the I.I.L., East Asia, and was largely attended by all sections of the Indian community.

In his introductory speech Dr. Lukshumeyah explained the significance of the Week and said that the mass murder perpetrated by the British at Jallianwallah Bagh in Amritsar

on this day 26 years ago would serve not only as a grim reminder of the series of atrocities perpetrated by the Britishers in India on an unarmed people but also serve as a beacon to all Indians to free their motherland from foreign rule and be masters in their motherland.

Hundreds of India's foremost nationalists are undergoing incarceration at the moment for espousing the cause of their motherland's right for a free existence and unless they could end this foreign rule and domination there would be no end to their troubles, declared Dr. Lukshumeyah.

It was the duty of all Indians in East Asia, exhorted the Vice-President, to continue to persevere in every way to achieve the freedom of Hindustan and, in furtherance of their objective, they should willingly sacrifice everything.

Lt.-Col. Habibur Rahman, Deputy Chief of Staff, Azad Hind Fauj, who next spoke in Hindustani, said that he did not think it necessary for him to dwell on the Jallianwallah Bagh

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Enemy Receiving Crippling Blows In Okinawa War

Operations Progressing Just As We Want, Says Lt.-Col. Nakajima

In his review of the war situation in Okinawa sector, Lt.-Col. Shozo Nakajima, Chief Spokesman of the Imperial Nippon Forces in the Southern Regions, speaking at the Press Conference yesterday here, said that "the operations in Okinawa sector are progressing just like the way we wanted it."

The Spokesman stated that on the sea the enemy has been receiving crippling blows and on the land, even before our main forces have started their counter-offensive in full swing, the enemy is thrown into confusion by his very heavy losses.

Referring to the progress of the war in the Philippines, the Spokesman said that since the landing of the American forces there and their entry into Manila the price of foodstuffs was reported to have risen by 16 times as compared with the prices ruling there when the Nippon forces were there.

The enemy had been carrying on propaganda that the Nippon forces were making the prices to go higher and higher. This was not true but in time of war prices were generally bound to go up. The acts and deeds of the American troops in Manila during the period of war there clearly proved the enemy propaganda as merely rubbish.

"The Anglo-American so-called emancipation is nothing but a one-way ticket to hell or Hades," went on Lt.-Col. Nakajima, declaring that "we must win this war and we will win, so that we will be able to rectify these inhuman acts of the Anglo-Americans. That is the Will of God and the decree of heaven."

Alluding to the European theatre of war, Lt.-Col. Nakajima said, "Germany is hemmed in by the Soviets on one side and the Anglo-Americans on the other and the war situation is very grave."

As the enemy news reports show the Anglo-American forces inside Germany are being harassed not only by the Regular Forces but by the Volk Corps organised by the German civilians.

"This is a clear indication that the German people will never surrender to the Anglo-Americans. Whether there is organised resistance or not by the Regular German Army the German citizens will fight to the very last," declared the Spokesman.

"The European fighting will not end as easily as the Anglo-Americans are saying that it will end. I have great expectations that the German people will give a good fight," added the Spokesman.

Enemy Suffers 6,300 Casualties In Okinawa Battle; 21 Additional Warcraft Either Sunk Or Damaged

Tokyo, April 13 (Domei).—Dai Honyei announced at 4 p.m.:—"Firstly, there has been no great change in the land war situation in the southern part of Okinawa Main Island and our forces are fighting valiantly, smashing the enemy's advance at various places."

"War results achieved on land ever since the enemy's landing so far ascertained up to April 11 are as follows:

"Approximately 6,300 men killed or wounded, 185 enemy tanks or armoured cars knocked out or set ablaze, 48 motor lorries destroyed, 79 planes shot down or damaged."

"Secondly, our air and surface units which have been attacking enemy warships and task force vessels off Okinawa Main Island and its vicinity despite inclement weather, especially since April 11 with the return of favourable weather, have been continuing surface and plane attacks."

"War results so far achieved by our forces so far ascertained are as follows:

"Sunk—two battleships, three cruisers, one transport and two vessels of unspecified category."

"Heavily damaged—three aircraft-carriers, four cruisers,

three destroyers, one transport and two torpedoboats."

A Nippon Base in the Ryukyu Front, April 13 (Domei).—At least three enemy cruisers were sunk and one battleship damaged on Wednesday evening when Nippon Special Attack Air Corps went into action against enemy surface units in waters around Okinawa. In addition, the Nippon airmen also scored direct torpedo hits on an enemy cruiser.

This assault was preceded by a devastating attack carried out earlier in the afternoon by another unit of the Nippon Special Attack Air Corps against an enemy naval force in waters east of Main Okinawa Island. In this assault at least one enemy battleship or heavy cruiser was known to have been heavily hit and set ablaze, while another cruiser was also seriously crippled.

Following up these attacks, the Nippon Special Attack Corps on the following day, Thursday, again went into action and so far are known to have heavily damaged and probably sunk at least five enemy surface craft. Huge columns of flame, shooting up from these five enemy warships hit, could clearly be observed from this base.

Roosevelt Dies; Truman Becomes U.S. President

Lisbon, April 12 (Domei)—American President Franklin Delano Roosevelt died suddenly of cerebral haemorrhage this afternoon at Warm Springs, Georgia, according to a Washington dispatch.

Roosevelt had been resting already for ten days.

The dispatch stated that Harry Truman has succeeded to the Presidency of the United States. Truman called at White House immediately after the announcement of the death of the President. An immediate Cabinet meeting was summoned.

It was also announced that funeral services for the late President will be held Saturday. The interment will be at Hyde Park Sunday afternoon.

The President had planned a three weeks' rest at Warm Springs when he arrived there on Mar. 30. He had intended to stay another week.

The news of the President's death caused widespread shock throughout the nation. Not knowing how to express their grief, the people, a Reuter dispatch said, wandered out of their houses and began talking with their neighbours. It was hard for the Americans to grasp the full significance of the tragedy which befell America's leading statesman who, the dispatch said, "in his fourth term was just as much an accepted part of the American scene as the White House itself."

Roosevelt died in the bedroom of his white bungalow at the top of Pine Mountain, where he had been visiting off and on for 20 years to take treatment for infantile paralysis with which he was stricken in 1921.

Only two persons are believed to have been in the cottage at the time of his death. They are Miss Laura Delano and Miss Margaret Buckley, who frequently kept house for him during his recent visits.

Lisbon, April 12 (Domei)—The news of the sudden death of American President Franklin Delano Roosevelt, the only man in American history to hold the post of Chief Executive for four consecutive terms, at this critical juncture of the war, tonight was received with consternation by the British public, according to a London dispatch.

Although no official statement was forthcoming from the British Prime Minister's Office, the death was regarded as a heavy blow personally as well as officially in view of Winston Churchill's deep friendship for the American President.

The dispatch said it is expected that the British Prime Minister's first public reference to the President's death will be made before the House of Commons.

Juvenile Crime Wave In Australia Reported

Lisbon, April 12 (Domei)—A serious juvenile crime wave has struck Australia, according to Sydney Police information intercepted here today.

Juveniles were responsible for nearly one-third of Sydney's crimes last year, the Police revealed, who expressed concern over the growing number of armed juveniles now attempting more serious crimes.

Last year more than 7,000 juveniles appeared in court in Sydney alone and in addition 1,500 offenders received caution.

Indians Here Renew All-Out Aid Pledge At Mammoth Mass Rally

(Continued from previous page) massacre as the cruel incidents connected with that tragic episode were too well known to Indians.

The freedom struggle had been carried on under the banner of the Indian National Congress and although Indians hoped to get their freedom at the end of the last Great War in view of the great sacrifices India made in men and materials they were sadly disappointed as the Britishers failed to fulfil their promises. Instead of granting them freedom the Britishers saddled them with Rowlatt Bills and other lawless laws and thus took away even their elementary civil rights. Since then the national awakening in India had gained momentum and their freedom struggle had become intensified and many eminent Indian leaders had sacrificed their lives in that struggle.

In a similar manner the soldiers of the Azad Hind Fauj had been sacrificing their lives for that sacred cause. Every member of the Azad Hind Fauj is being animated and imbued with the spirit of courage and determination to play his part worthily. Many soldiers of the Azad Hind Fauj had earned undying fame by their exploits against

the Anglo-American and Chinese forces on the Indo-Burma frontier and in other battlefields in Burma and he was quite confident that they would continue to fight with the same spirit in the future.

It was the duty of Indians in Syonan and other parts of Malai to give their all-out support to the Azad Hind Fauj. More volunteers were required by the Azad Hind Fauj and he hoped all the able-bodied Indians especially all the young men would readily respond to the call.

Just as the Nipponese—men, women and children—were being imbued with the highest spirit of sacrifice and service, all Indians in East Asia should redouble their efforts and continue to give every support to the Azad Hind Fauj. The Azad Hind Fauj would fight the enemy wherever they happen to meet him. Even if they met him in Syonan they would fight him in pursuance of the freedom cause. The Azad Hind Fauj would wage war relentlessly to the last man until victory is achieved and the freedom of India is established, declared the Deputy Chief of Staff.

The meeting next passed the resolutions and broke up, after the singing of the National Anthem, amidst shouts of national slogans.

War Secretary Henry Stimson's Latest Move

Lisbon, April 11 (Domei)—Every able-bodied soldier in the United States who has not seen service overseas will have the privilege—if not the ill-luck—of being sent overseas as soon as he can be replaced by a man returning from the frontlines, American War Secretary Henry L. Stimson revealed yesterday in a letter to an American Senator, according to a Washington dispatch.

Stimson said that already 1,400,000 men have been selected for duty overseas and will be trained for that purpose.

No Decision On Release Of Imprisoned Leaders

Lisbon, April 12 (Domei)—British Secretary of State, for India Leopold S. Amery today declared in the House of Commons that no decision has been reached on the question of the release of Indian political prisoners in response to a question posed by Reginald Sorensen, Labourite, according to a London dispatch.

1,867 Casualties In Foo Munition Ship Explosion

Lisbon, April 12 (Domei)—One thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven persons were killed or injured, including 267 deaths, when an anti-Axis munition ship blew up yesterday in Bari Harbour, on the southern tip of Italy facing the Adriatic Sea, according to a Rome dispatch.

The ship which blew up is also said to have set fire to another vessel.

Tornado Wreaks Havoc In Oklahoma State

Lisbon, April 13 (Domei)—At least 79 persons have been killed and hundreds made homeless by the raging tornado which swept across Oklahoma State, causing destruction in dozens of American cities, towns and villages, according to an American dispatch.

Nippon Forces Occupy Vital Nanyang City

Honan Front, April 12 (Domei)—Nippon forces in North China captured the walled city of Nanyang, key point in Chungking's Fifth War Zone, on March 31. The cordon of encirclement around the walled city was completed on March 30 when Nippon units under cover of heavy artillery fire launched a general offensive from the north and west.

Crushing stiff resistance put up by the enemy, Nippon forces smashed into the walled city before dawn the following day.

Taiwan Defences Shoot Down Four Foe Planes

A Nippon Base in Taiwan, April 12 (Domei)—About 80 enemy carrier-based planes attacked the northern part of Taiwan for about two hours beginning 8 a.m. Thursday morning. Enemy aircraft made both bombing and strafing attacks. Points attacked included Keelung, Taihoku, and Shinchiku.

Our anti-aircraft batteries are so far known to have bagged four enemy raiders.

Soviet Union Influence Spreads In Balkan States

Lisbon, April 12 (Domei)—A further strengthening of Soviet influence in the Balkans area today was reflected in a Tass dispatch reporting that the Soviet Union and Yugoslavia have concluded "a treaty of friendship, mutual assistance and post-war collaboration". The pact was reported to have been signed on the occasion of Yugoslav Marshal Joseph Tito's visit to Moscow.

U.S. Submarine, Landing Craft Lost In Pacific

Lisbon, April 12 (Domei)—An American submarine and a large landing craft have been lost in the Pacific, the U. S. Navy Department disclosed today, according to a Washington dispatch.

British Attacks On Reich Weser Defences Foiled

Berlin, April 13 (Domei)—The German communique stated that numerous British attacks against the Weser defence lines south of Bremen failed. Fighting in the Ruhr and Wupper Valley districts, on either side of Olpe, continued yesterday with undiminished ferocity, while violent street fighting is going on in Essen. The communique further disclosed that from the Olpe area an enemy force made deeper penetration, against the flanks of which counter-attacks are now in progress.

Meanwhile, concentric attacks against Erfurt were bloodily repulsed by the German garrison, and also in Esfeld, Rodach and Coburg German grenadiers are holding their own against strong attacks. Near Crailsheim German troops in dashing counter-attacks threw the Americans back considerably in a northern and north-western direction.

In air fights over the Western Front German fighters yesterday shot down 17 Anglo-American planes. According to reports available so far the Anglo-Americans have lost 386 tanks and 50 armoured reconnoitring cars from April 1 to April 11.

In Italy the defence battle continued south-west of Lake Comacchio. Violent fighting is in progress with a British group which landed on the south-western bank of the lake, while local attacks on the front in the western Alps and Ligurian coast sector collapsed in the face of heavy German defence fire.

The High Command of the German forces announced yesterday afternoon that Soviet attacks south of the Vienna woods failed and violent fighting continued in Vienna at the Danube Canal.

Jhansi Regt., Balak Sena Displays On Tencho Setsu

Syonan, April 12 (Domei)—Members of the Rani of Jhansi Regiment and the Balak Sena (Youth Corps) of the Indian Independence League, Syonan, will give displays on the auspicious occasion of Tencho-setsu, April 29, when the Auxiliary Police personnel of Beach Road Division will hold a tea party at the Choon Chin Boys' School at Aliwal Street.

Under the patronage of Auxiliary Police Assistant SM. A. H. Chishty, wellknown Police worker, and Dr. H. S. Moonshi, the tea party will be held for officials of the Police Bureau, Auxiliary Police Association, community leaders and high officials from the Special Municipality.

It is understood that Sri. M. K. Chidambaram, Chairman of the Syonan Chapter of the I.L.L., has made arrangements for units of the Rani of Jhansi Regiment and the Balak Sena to give a display at this function.

Unqualified Success Of 3rd Fixed Deposit Drive

A sum of \$25,425,915.42 was the total amount realized as the result of the "third fixed deposit with bonus" drive sponsored by the Savings Encouragement Department of the Malai Banking Association.

The drive was an unqualified success and the sponsors of the campaign have every reason to feel elated over the success that has attended their efforts in view of the fact that the total amount stipulated was only \$20,000,000.

The first campaign, it will be recalled, brought in \$8,500,000 while the second one brought in \$19,500,000.

Out of the total sum of over 25 million dollars Syonan's contribution was \$12,694,788.50 of which \$11,124,046.16 were deposited with Nipponese Banks while \$344,266.93 and \$726,475.38 were deposited with the Chinese and Indian Banks, respectively.

Among the other places the largest contribution came from Ipoh with a total sum of \$3,421,685.58 while the contributions for Kuala Lumpur and Penang were \$2,597,145.18 and \$2,566,697.54, respectively.

The drawing of the lottery will take place in Syonan on May 15 and the Savings Encouragement Prize carries the attractive sum of \$50,000 while the next prize (Special) carries the sum of \$10,000.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that I, Iritheum Mary being the mistress of Vadeveloo who had left me since January, 2604 and whose whereabouts is unknown as from 17th day of February, 2605 am no more under the care and protection of my husband and henceforth I will no longer recognize him as my husband and I shall find my own living.

Dated this 10th day of April, 2605.
Sd. IRITHEUM MARY.

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